

## “Five-day farmers training program entitled “Agro-technology of selected MAPs” under Biotech Kisan Hub project was organized by ICAR-DMAPR, Anand, Gujarat



ICAR-DMAPR has organized five days training program w.e.f. 02-06 May 2022 entitled “Agro-technology of selected MAPs” for the creation of awareness on medicinal plants like Jal Brahmi, Ashwagandha, Mukuna, Gymnema, etc. The aim of this program was the promotion of selected medicinal and aromatic plant cultivation for livelihood and health security in Gujarat. The inaugural and valedictory function of the 5-day training program was chaired by Dr. Geetha, K.A.,

In-charge Director, ICAR-DMAPR, Anand. Dr. Geetha emphasizes the scope of MAPs, the importance of GAP, GACP, and the value addition of medicinal and aromatic plants. The chief guest of the inaugural program was Dr. S. S. Kalamkar, Director, Agro-Economics Research Centre, Anand said that there are huge opportunities for business development in the MAPs sector. The FPOs will play a significant role in the marketing, exporting, and branding of medicinal products. Dr. P.L. Saran, Principal



Investigator of project /course Director presented the objective of this project as well as program details during the inaugural function. Total more than 40 farmers got benefited from this training program. Overall, eleven lectures have been delivered on agro-technology, organic farming, e-marketing, physiology of seeds, post-harvest technology, and value addition of selected medicinal and

aromatic plants. During this program, herbal garden and two field visits were arranged. During the valedictory program, the certificate was distributed by Dr. Geetha and Dr. Saran. The program was concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. K.A. Kalariya, Organising Secretary of the program.



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